

## STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HELD IN ROOM 381B OF THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION 500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012

Tuesday, December 16, 2014

9:30 AM

9. Recommendation: Approve the additions, deletions, and changes to existing Board-adopted policies and positions for inclusion in the 2015-16 State Legislative Agenda; and instruct the Interim Chief Executive Officer and affected County Departments to work with the Los Angeles County Legislative Delegation, other counties and local governments, and stakeholders to pursue these policies, positions, and priorities in the State Legislature and with the Administration and its agencies. (Continued from the meeting of 12-9-14) (14-5436)

Supervisor Knabe made a motion that the Board add to the County's Legislative Agenda support for proposals that create and retain jobs in California, and specifically in Los Angeles County, including proposals that reduce the costs and burdens of unnecessary government regulations, fees and taxes on businesses, and which streamline inspection, permit and approval procedures and processes so businesses can be set up and running as quickly as possible.

After discussion, said motion failed to carry by the following vote:

Ayes: 2 - Supervisor Knabe and Supervisor Antonovich

Noes: 3 - Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Ridley-Thomas and

Supervisor Kuehl

The following portions of the 2013-14 State Legislative Agenda were duly carried by the following vote:

Section 2. ENVIRONMENT, NATURAL RESOURCES AND RECREATION, Subsection 2.5 Watershed Management and Flood Control, Item No. 4:

4. Support legislation to allow counties, flood control districts, and other public agencies to implement stormwater fees, upon voter approval and/or consistent with the requirements of Proposition 218 of 1996, to adequately fund clean water programs; and

## <u>Section 4, HEALTH, Subsection 4.10 Implementation of Health Care</u> <u>Reform, Item Nos. 1-18:</u>

- Support legislation that would implement provisions of Federal health care reform by increasing access to care while maintaining and/or expanding the County's funding as a safety net provider to continue health care, emergency and trauma care services, and medical education programs through the existing infrastructure of hospitals, Multi-Service Ambulatory Care Centers, health centers, and public-private partnerships;
- Oppose legislation that would result in the reduction of the County's funding as a safety net provider of health care to the uninsured, emergency and trauma care services and medical educational programs in order to implement Federal health care reform;
- 3. Support proposals that establish funding for workforce development and infrastructure for mental health care and substance abuse providers under Federal health care reform;
- 4. Support proposals to reform Medicaid, including the State Safety Net Care Pool and Section 1115 Waiver components, to increase Medicaid funds for priority areas, such as primary and preventive health care, without reducing total available Medicaid funding levels;
- Support proposals which define essential health benefits, pursuant to Federal health care reform, in a comprehensive manner that promote high-quality, patient-centered, and cost-effective health care service;
- 6. Support proposals that expand health care coverage to the fullest extent allowed under the Affordable Care Act, without eroding existing coverage;

- 7. Support proposals that simplify the health coverage enrollment and renewal processes to administer and facilitate use and access for clients;
- 8. Support proposals that simplify and coordinate the health care enrollment and renewal process with existing programs such as CalFresh; and continue the use of county human services agencies to administer initial and ongoing Medi-Cal eligibility, including the Los Angeles County LEADER system and other county automation consortia, which interface with the Health Care Exchange;
- Support proposals that expand and enhance data matching to minimize paper verifications and decrease processing time for enrollment for health care coverage;
- 10. Support proposals that provide coverage expansion built upon the traditional delivery systems used by the Medi-Cal and uninsured such as the Two-Plan Model and safety net providers;
- Support proposals that incorporate the Low-Income Health Plans created under the 2010 California Medicaid Waiver into the new delivery systems created under the Affordable Care Act;
- 12. Support proposals that include incentives for providers to deliver high-quality, coordinated, integrated, and cost-effective care across all levels of health care delivery;
- 13. Support proposals to ensure that coverage expansion includes mechanisms that protect existing patient-provider relationships from unnecessary disruption and ensure continuity of care;
- 14. Support proposals that create comprehensive benefits to the fullest extent allowed in the Affordable Care Act, including mental health and substance use disorder services, without eroding previously implemented Federal Medical options and existing waivers;

- 15. Support proposals that maintain the Prevention and Public Health Fund, recognizing that health improvement results from investments in population health efforts and not just medical care;
- 16. Support proposals that continue funding for the safety net system to maintain services for populations not covered by the Affordable Care Act;
- 17. Support proposals that allow the State to take full advantage of opportunities under the Affordable Care Act to maximize revenues such as, opting into enhanced benefits, special payments and incentives for innovation and quality; and
- 18. Support proposals that seek to minimize disruption in patient care and that help ensure access to essential HIV services, including support services, as patients transition from Federal Ryan White-funded services to other systems of care supported by the Federal Medicaid Expansion;

<u>Section 4. HEALTH, Subsection 4.13 Dental Health Coverage</u>, Item Nos. 1 and 2:

- 1. Support proposals to require public and private insurers to offer full coverage for dental and oral health care services; and
- 2. Support proposals that improve access to dental and oral health care services for children and adults; and

Section 12, UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE, Subsection 12.1 Energy, Item No. 16 to support proposals and funding which assist local governments in the development and implementation of Climate Action Plans that aim to reduce energy and water consumption, equipment and fleet emissions, and other greenhouse gas emissions targeted under AB 32 (Chapter 488, Statues of 2006). (14-5436)

**Ayes:** 4 - Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Ridley-Thomas, Supervisor Kuehl and Supervisor Knabe

Noes: 1 - Supervisor Antonovich

The following portions of the 2013-14 State Legislative Agenda were duly carried by the following vote:

<u>General State Legislative Principles</u>, Item No. 5 to support proposals that reduce the two-thirds vote requirement for increasing revenues; and

<u>Section 11 Transportation</u>, Item No. 9 to support legislation to reduce the vote requirement for enacting a county-wide sales or gas tax transportation measure. (14-5436)

**Ayes:** 3 - Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Ridley-Thomas and Supervisor Kuehl

**Noes:** 2 - Supervisor Knabe and Supervisor Antonovich

The following portions of the Recommended Changes to the 2015-16 State Legislative Agenda were duly carried by the following vote:

<u>Section 10. SOCIAL SERVICES, Subsection 10.2 CalWORKs</u>, Item Nos. 21, 22 and 23:

- 21. Support proposals that reimburse counties for payments and services to children who receive General Relief/General Assistance not aided by CalWORKs due to the Maximum Family Grant rule and live in a family where no one else is receiving a CalWORKs grant;
- 22. Support proposals to repeal the CalWORKs Maximum Family Grant rule which prohibits a CalWORKs grant increase for any child born into a family receiving CalWORKs Program aid for ten continuous months prior to the birth of a child; and
- 23. Support proposals to repeal the CalWORKs 100-hour rule for working families who are low-income and apply for the CalWORKs Program. (14-5436)

**Ayes:** 4 - Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Ridley-Thomas,

Supervisor Kuehl and Supervisor Knabe

Noes: 1 - Supervisor Antonovich

On motion of Supervisor Ridley-Thomas, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, the balance of the 2013-14 State Legislative Agenda and Recommended Changes to the 2015-16 State Legislative Agenda were approved with the exception of the following portions which were referred back to the following departments:

- 1. <u>Section 12. UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE, Subsection 12.1 Energy,</u> Item No. 18 to support legislation that enables local governments to receive reimbursement for qualifying activities when intervening and participating in energy regulatory proceedings, to the Department of Internal Services; and
- 2. Section 12. UTILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE, Subsection 12.4

  Underground Utilities, Item No. 2 to support legislation that exempts routine infrastructure maintenance activities of public agencies that excavate less than 12-inches deep from existing law which requires any party planning to conduct an excavation to contact the State's notification center prior to excavation, to the Department of Public Works. (14-5436)

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Ridley-Thomas, Supervisor Kuehl, Supervisor Knabe and Supervisor Antonovich

<u>Attachments:</u> Board Letter

2013-14 State Legislative Agenda

Video Audio

The foregoing is a fair statement of the proceedings of the regular meeting held December 16, 2014, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.

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By Patrick Ogawa, Acting Executive Officer
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of the Board of Supervisors